SENATE BILL 868

By Watson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to school finances.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-356, is amended by adding the following language at the end of the section:

The commissioner shall provide to each LEA a funding plan that transitions funding through the BEP from the county-level fiscal capacity model used in the 2006-2007 fiscal year to the prototype model for school-system-level fiscal capacity developed by the Tennessee advisory commission on intergovernmental relations. Such transition shall begin with the 2007-2008 fiscal year. Such plan shall provide that no LEA shall receive from the BEP in fiscal year 2007-2008 and in subsequent fiscal years a lesser amount of state funds than it received from the BEP, adjusted for any changes in average daily membership, under the county-level fiscal capacity model in fiscal year 2006-2007. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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